

Personal Relationship 2

Who am I? Who are you? Who is He?

Personal interactions involve various emotions and feelings, such as trust, satisfaction, exhilaration, admiration, appreciation, expectation, reservation, skepticism, awareness, contempt, alienation, complaint, fear, tightness, competing, jealousy, pressure, etc. Most of these involve your sense of security, self-confidence and your feeling towards yourself and others. And all these originate from your philosophy of life.

Sense of inferiority is a common human defect. It is also a side-product of this cruel and competitive metropolitan life-style.

- Sense of inferiority originates from conditional love and comparison
- Sense of inferiority is having not enough sense of security
- Demeanor of persons with high sense of inferiority
 - attention-seeking
 - desire to excel, compete and compare
 - result: pressure, frustration, giving up
 - not satisfied, seeking for substitutes for sense of security

High sense of inferiority would damage personal relationship. How can we overcome the sense of being inferior?

A. Seeing ourselves from the perspectives of God

1. Understand that we are precious
 - We are precious children of God
 - We are redeemed with Christ's blood
2. Understand that we are unique
3. Accept that we are special
 - I am different from all others
 - In some areas I may not be as good as others, but in other areas I may be better
 - I need breakthrough and growth
 - I accept that I may have something that cannot be changed
 - There is no need to compare with others

B. Seeing others from the perspectives of God

1. Everybody is precious creation of God
2. Understand the uniqueness of others
3. Everybody is worthy of respect, because we all are children of God
4. God respects the uniqueness and free-will of everyone

5. Learn to respect the choice of each individuals

- Everyone is learning from process of making choices, whether it be good or bad
- Everyone has to be responsible for his/her choice

C. The Lord is my reliance

1. God is caring for my all

- Ps 56:4 In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?
- Heb 13:6 So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"

2. God has the best planning

- Believe that God is with you and participating in your communal life and persona relationship.
- Cope with others with faith
- Abraham yielded to Lot

3. Not be afraid

- Not comparing, not competing, living out our natural self.
- Enjoy peace in the Lord.